

MONTANA STATE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Meeting Date: April 20, 2017

Agenda Item: Capital Projects Over \$5,000

Division: Parks

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Action Needed: Final

Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation: 10 min.

Background (Brief description of the issue, decision to be made, history, etc.):

Per the Parks and Recreation Board Policy adopted in December 2013, Board approval is required for unanticipated expenses exceeding \$5,000 within the Parks Capital Program. For this meeting, there is one project which would incur a capital cost that has not been previously approved by the Board.

Yellow Bay State Park on the east shore of Flathead Lake is served by the sewer treatment system located on the adjacent U of M's Biological Research Station. The sewer line serving the restroom facility at Yellow Bay SP gravity feeds to an antiquated lift station which transports the effluent to the U of M's treatment facility.

The U of M is in the process of proceeding with a larger project to upgrade the sewage treatment infrastructure serving their facilities. The proportionate cost of upgrading the infrastructure on the park property is \$50,000 (design and construction efforts).

As the antiquated system is past the end of its' useful life, there will never be a more economical opportunity to upgrade the parks sewer system as a component of the U of M's larger project.

The proposed funding for this project is from the remaining capital fund balance of \$50,000 in Bed Tax/2013 Legislative Session.

Public Involvement Process & Results (Brief description of the type of public involvement and summary of what we heard from the public):

No public involvement is planned or necessary for this maintenance effort on an existing sewer system.

Alternatives and Analysis (Brief description of alternative solutions with analysis of the pros and cons of each):

Alt. #1 – approval of the proposed capital expenditure for the Yellow Bay SP sewer upgrade project as proposed.

Alt. #2 – not approve the expenditure of capital funding on the proposed infrastructure project.

Agency Recommendation and Rationale (Brief description of our recommendation to the Board and the reasons for it):

It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed expenditure of \$50,000 for the proposed project.

Proposed Motion (Draft language the Board could use to adopt the agency recommendation):

I move to approve the Parks Division's proposal to commit \$50,000 in existing capital funds to the Yellow Bay State Park sewer system upgrade project as proposed.